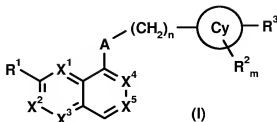


**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1. (Currently amended) A compound of formula (I):



wherein

A is an oxygen or a sulphur atom, a NH, an alkylene, an alkenylene, an alkynylene or a heteroalkylene group,

X<sup>1</sup>, X<sup>2</sup>, X<sup>3</sup>, X<sup>4</sup> and X<sup>5</sup> are each independently of the others nitrogen atoms or groups of formula CH or CR<sup>4</sup>,

Cy is a cycloalkylene, a heterocycloalkylene, an arylene or a heteroarylene group,

R<sup>1</sup> is a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a hydroxy, an amino, a mercapto, an alkyl, a heteroalkyl, an alkyloxy, a heteroalkyloxy, a cycloalkyl, a heterocycloalkyl, an alkylcycloalkyl, a heteroalkylcycloalkyl, a cycloalkyloxy, an alkylcycloalkyloxy, a heterocycloalkyloxy or a heteroalkylcycloalkyloxy group,

the radicals R<sup>2</sup>, each independently of any other(s), are a halogen atom, a hydroxy, an amino, a nitro or a mercapto group, an alkyl, an alkenyl, an alkynyl, a heteroalkyl, an aryl, a heteroaryl, a cycloalkyl, an alkylcycloalkyl, a heteroalkylcycloalkyl, a heterocycloalkyl, an aralkyl or a heteroaralkyl radical, or two of the radicals R<sup>2</sup> together form part of an aryl, heteroaryl, cycloalkyl, heterocycloalkyl, alkylcycloalkyl, heteroalkylcycloalkyl, aralkyl or a heteroaralkyl ring system,

R<sup>3</sup> is an alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, heteroalkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, cycloalkyl, alkylcycloalkyl, heteroalkylcycloalkyl, heterocycloalkyl, aralkyl or heteroaralkyl radical,

R<sup>4</sup> is a halogen atom, or a hydroxy, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl or heteroalkyl group,

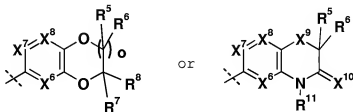
n is 0, 1 or 2, and

m is 0, 1 or 2,

or a pharmacologically acceptable salt, ~~solvate, hydrate~~ or a pharmacologically acceptable formulation thereof.

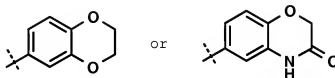
2. (Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 1, wherein A is an oxygen or a sulphur atom or a group of formula CH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>N(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>-Alkyl), N(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>-Alkyl)CH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>O, OCH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>S, SCH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>CH(OH), CH(OH), CH(OH)CH<sub>2</sub>, NHCO, CONH, C(=O)CH<sub>2</sub> or CH<sub>2</sub>C(=O).
3. (Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 1, wherein three, four or five of the groups X<sup>1</sup>, X<sup>2</sup>, X<sup>3</sup>, X<sup>4</sup> and X<sup>5</sup> are CH groups.
4. (Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 1, wherein R<sup>1</sup> is a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyloxy or a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>heteroalkyloxy group, wherein one or more hydrogen atoms of such groups may have been replaced by fluorine atoms.
5. (Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 1, wherein R<sup>1</sup> is a methoxy group.
6. (Withdrawn, Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 1, wherein R<sup>2</sup> is a hydroxy, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>heteroalkyl or a C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>12</sub>heteroaralkyl group.
7. (Withdrawn, Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 1, wherein R<sup>3</sup> is a heteroalkylcycloalkyl or a heteroaralkyl group.

8. (Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 1, wherein  $R^3$  is a group of formula  $-B-Y$ , wherein B is an alkylene, an alkenylene, an alkynylene or a heteroalkylene group and Y is an aryl, a heteroaryl, an aralkyl, a heteroaralkyl, a cycloalkyl, a heterocycloalkyl, an alkylcycloalkyl or a heteroalkylcycloalkyl group.
9. (Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 8, wherein Y has one of the following structures,



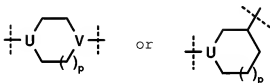
wherein  $X^6$ ,  $X^7$  and  $X^8$  are each independently of the others nitrogen atoms or groups of formula  $CR^9$ ,  $X^9$  and  $X^{10}$  are each independently of the others oxygen or sulphur atoms or groups of formula  $NR^{10}$ , o is 0, 1 or 2,  $R^5$ ,  $R^6$ ,  $R^7$ ,  $R^8$  and  $R^9$  are each independently of the others hydrogen atoms, halogen atoms, hydroxy, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl or heteroalkyl groups and  $R^{10}$  and  $R^{11}$  are each independently of the others hydrogen atoms, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl or heteroalkyl groups.

10. (Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 8, wherein Y has one of the following structures:



11. (Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 1, wherein the linker  $-A-$   $(CH_2)_n-$  has a chain length of 2 or 3 atoms.

12. (Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 1, wherein  $R^4$  is a fluorine or a chlorine atom or a  $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkyloxy or a  $C_3$ - $C_6$ dialkylaminomethyl group wherein one or more hydrogen atoms of such groups may have been replaced by fluorine atoms.
13. (Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 1, wherein Cy is a cycloalkylene or a heterocycloalkylene group containing one or two rings and 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 or 10 ring atoms.
14. (Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 1, wherein Cy has one of the following structures:



wherein U is a nitrogen atom or a group of formulas CH or COH and V is a nitrogen atom or a CH group and p is 0 or 1.

15. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition that comprises a compound according to claim 1 as active ingredient and, optionally, carrier substances and/or adjuvants.
16. (Cancelled)
17. (Withdrawn, Previously Presented) A method of treating a subject suffering from or susceptible to a bacterial infection comprising administering to the subject a compound of claim 1.